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# HOUSE BILL NO. 1322

## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 163, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to state aid for education of students with limited English proficiency.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 163, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be  
2 known as section 163.074, to read as follows:

**163.074. 1. As used in this section, the following words and phrases mean:**

2 **(1) "Language minority", having a linguistic background, including country of**  
3 **birth or home environment, which includes languages other than English;**

4 **(2) "Limited English proficient" or "LEP", any language minority student whose**  
5 **English language proficiency is below that of grade and age level peers.**

6 **2. Any school district which enrolls one or more limited English proficient pupils**  
7 **shall receive state aid for the ensuing year as provided pursuant to this section. A district**  
8 **shall receive, pursuant to this section, subject to appropriation, an amount equal to seven**  
9 **hundred dollars per enrolled, LEP pupil. If annual appropriations are insufficient to fully**  
10 **fund all payments provided for pursuant to this subsection, the per pupil amount shall be**  
11 **uniformly prorated for all such payments to the extent necessary to ensure that the total**  
12 **of the prorated payments equals the funds appropriated.**